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SUBJ: VISIT OF NIDA DIRECTOR DUPONT

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1. DR. DUPONT HAD AN INTENSIVE AND WE BELIEVE CONSTRUCTIVE VISIT, MEETING WITH A NUMBER OF KEY ROMAN FIGURES CONCERNED WITH PROBLEMS OF DRUG ABUSE, ENDING HIS STAY WITH A CONVERSATION WITH EMBASSY'S NARCOTICS COMMITTEE.

2. DR. DUPONT MET WITH FOLLOWING:

DR. SALVATORE RUBINO, DIRECTOR, CENTRO MALATTIE SOCIALE, MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

SENATOR GIANCARLO DE CAROLIS, DRAFTER OF NEW ITALIAN DRUG LAW.

PROF. FRANCO FERRACUTI, CHIEF FORENSIC PSYCHIATRY, UNIVERSITY OF ROME.

DR. CLARA MUGELLI, MINISTRY OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

DR. GIUSEPPE LO SAVIO, MINISTRY OF HEALTH.

DR. MARCELLO SACCHETTI, CHIEF OF DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SICKNESS MUNICIPALITY OF ROME.

DR. LONGO, CONSULTANT ON DRUG LAW, MIN. OF HEALTH.

SENATOR LUCIANO DAL FALCO, MINISTER OF HEALTH.

DR. TONGUE, INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL AND THE ADDICTIONS, LUSANNE, SWITZERLAND.

3. WE ARE NOT AWARE THAT SUBJECT OF COMBINING PROPOSED CONFERENCE WITH RAVENNA MEETING WAS RAISED. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS MADE BY DR. DUPONT AT KEY LUNCHEON MEETING
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WITH RUBINO, SACCHETTI AND TONGUE TOWARD THAT PROPOSED BY THE

EMBASSY. A DATE IN EARLY MAY WAS TENTATIVELY FIXED. SPONSORSHIP WILL APPARENTLY BE SHARED BY ICAA, THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF ROME AND NIDA WITH DR. RUBINO ESTABLISHED AS A PRIMARY CONTACT POINT HERE. DISCUSSIONS OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE CONFERENCE BROUGHT CONSENSUS THAT SUBJECT MATTER OUT TO BE PRIMARILY IN AREAS OF PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION, LEAVING LAW ENFORCEMENT ASPECTS TO OTHER FORA. THINKING ON SIZE OF CONFERENCE REVOLVED AROUND APPROXIMATELY 200 ITALIANS AND 100 "FOREIGN-ERS." VOLPE

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